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Title: NOVEL PREDICTORS OF TRANSPLANT REJECTION DETERMINED BY
PERIPHERAL BLOOD GENE-EXPRESSION PROFILING

RESPONSE

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Sir or Madam:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2009 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the December 28, 2009 Office Action is due March 28, 2009. A petition for three month extension of time is filed herewith. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 6 of this paper.

Response to this Office Action begins on page 10 of this paper.